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GENEVA FOR WEBB

1. SITREP IN REF B, FIRST REPORT RECEIVED BY DEPARTMENT FROM ANY ADDRESSEE OF REF A DESCRIBING PLANNED WHOLESALE REDUCTION OR ELIMINATION OF BUNKERS FOR FOREIGN FLAG VESSELS (PRESUMINGLY TO INCLUDE US-FLAG VESSELS).

2. AS NOTED IN PARA 2 REF A, USG ALLOCATION PLAN EXPECTED
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TO OPERATE IN A NONDISCRIMINATORY MANNER AS REGARDS

FOREIGN FLAG AND US-FLAG VESSELS. NEVERTHELESS, WE EXPECT THAT THERE WILL BE PROVISION FOR RECIPROCITY WHEREBY VESSELS OF NATION WHICH FAILS TO BUNKER US-FLAG (OR US-TRADE) VESSELS IN ITS PORTS, CANNOT EXPECT TO RECEIVE BUNKERS IN US PORTS.

3. HENCE, NOTING INCREASED VOLUME OF TRADE, AND PROJECTED INCREASE OF VESSELS OF BOTH US AND USSR REGISTRY PARTICIPATING IN SAID BILATERAL TRADE IN THE NEXT MONTHS, EMBASSY REQUESTED TO INFORM APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF MINMERCHANT FLEET OF POSSIBLE CUT-OFF OF BUNKERS FOR

SOVIET VESSELS AT US PORTS SHOULD US-FLAG VESSELS BE DENIED BUNKERS DURING PORT CALLS IN SOVIET UNION. MINMERCHANT FLEET SHOULD ALSO BE MADE AWARE OF PROBABLE ADVERSE PUBLIC REACTION TO SUCH SOVIET BUNKER POLICY.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO KEEP DEPARTMENT (EB/MA) AWARE OF SPECIFIC INCIDENTS OF BUNKER RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO EITHER US-FLAG OR US-TRADE VESSELS. KISSINGER

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